

Washington National Cathedral

Corner of Wisconsin and Massachusetts Avenues
Northwest Washington, D.C.

Metro Stop: Tenleytown-American University



Located at the city's highest point, the [Washington National Cathedral](#) is the sixth largest in the world and one of the world's finest examples of Gothic architecture and craftsmanship.

The Cathedral has been the location of many notable events, including the funeral services of Presidents Woodrow Wilson, Dwight Eisenhower, and Ronald Reagan, and where Martin Luther King, Jr. preached his last Sunday sermon before being assassinated.

The Cathedral is the burial place of many famous people, including President Woodrow Wilson, Helen Keller, and Admiral George Dewey.

The Pilgrim Observation Gallery provides a spectacular panoramic view of the Washington skyline. The Space Window displays a moon rock brought back to the Cathedral by the Apollo XI astronauts. The artistry of the Cathedral's stained glass windows portray events and insights of biblical and national history.

Times of Operation

Cathedral operating hours are: Monday through Friday 10:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Saturdays 10:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and Sundays 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

Guided tours are available on a walk-in basis Monday through Saturday from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:45 to 4:00 p.m. (except during services and special events- [Check for Posted Touring Conflicts](#) before your visit). On Mondays and Wednesday when there is an [organ demonstration](#) scheduled, afternoon tours are offered from approximately 1:15 to 4:00 p.m. Sunday tours are from 12:45 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. Tours last approximately 30 minutes and are offered on an ongoing basis during the hours previously listed. No reservations are needed for individuals, couples, or family-sized groups. Tours start at the docent station at the west end of the nave, main level, just inside the main doors. Tours are free, but donations are requested.

In addition, the Cathedral offers a variety of [specialty tour](#) options.

Reservations are required year-round for all groups larger than 13 people to visit the Cathedral. For information on group visits, click [here](#).

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